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COUNCIL OF THE FEDERATION DECIDED THIS WEEK TO FORM THE REGULATION REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR ITS ANNUAL LOOK AT REGULATIONS. IT IS A HIGH SOUNDING TITLE BUT IN RECENT YEARS THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE HAS MATCHED THIS TITLE.

THE PRINTED CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS NOW AVAILABLE IS A TRIBUTE TO THE MANY HOURS OF CONCENTRATION AND STUDY THE COMMITTEE

HAS GIVEN FOR A.C.T. SOCCER.

NEW MEMBERS APPEAR ON THE COMMITTEE EACH YEAR AND THE PERSONNEL THIS YEAR IS DIFFERENT FROM 1972. THE JOB OF MAKING EXISTING REGULATIONS WORK BETTER AND DRAWING UP NEW REGULATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN SUGGESTED BY COUNCIL AND THE EXECUTIVE OVER THE PAST YEAR.

A THANKLESS, UNSPECTACULAR TASK WHICH HAS AS ITS REWARD
THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CODE AND THIS YEAR, THE TOUGHEST PROBLEM
WILL SURROUND THE COMPOSITION OF THE TEAMS FOR THE 1974

COMPETITIONS.

LAST YEAR SUGGESTIONS THAT 2ND DIVISION AND 1ST DIVISION BE COMBINED CAME TO NOTHING.

IT LOOKS AS IF THERE IS AGREEMENT AMONG CLUBS THAT BOTH

DIVISIONS ARE ESSENTIAL.

WHAT HAPPENS TO RESERVE GRADE? SHOULD IT BE PLAYED ON SATURDAYS? THE SHORTAGE OF MATCH OFFICIALS, THE NEED FOR GAMES TO BE FULLY SERVICED. PRESENTATION OF THE CODE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, DOUBLE HEADERS. SHOULD CLUBS BE ENCOURAGED TO AMALGAMATE?

THE COMMITTEE THROUGH THE FEDERATION AND ITS CLUBS WOULD WELCOME ANY POINTS OF VIEW AND SUGGESTIONS SO IF YOU WANT TO PRESENT YOUR OWN OPINION THIS JOURNAL WOULD BE GLAD TO PASS IT ON.

The Ed.

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REP ACTIVITY

This week saw the selection of the A.C.T. Representative squad including eight players from Juventus. Croatia Deakin's striking force of Gruicic, Spaleta and Horvat have been included along with newcomers John Davies of Lyons and Forrest goalkeeper Peter Lockwood.

The squad will commence training this Wednesday night at Monaro Park, Queanbeyan in preparation for a game against German side S.C. Hertha 03 on 21st July and matches against Queensland and

NOrthern New South Wales in October.

Meanwhile the junior representative teams are well under way with preparations for state and national titles at the end of the season. Last Sunday, O'Connor Oval saw the under 18's, under 15's and under 16's play friendly matches against more experienced opposition.

During the recent visit of Eric Worthington, the national coach, over a hundred local officials met at the Ambassador Hotel and under 16's manager Mike O'Neill took this opportunity to tee-up some matches for his boys. From the way he got around, and with such a good turn out, he must be fully booked out for the next three seasons and the first match planned was with Turner Reserves.

The Eagles team head their division with 16 points from eight matches and up till now had only conceded two goals but were in for a surprise when the under 16's slotted in five with only three in reply.

With goalkeeper Wym Hillhorst away, Turner called on young Brian Eagleton to don the gloves, and Brian who kept goal against the juniors last season put up a good display. The Canberra juniors were slow to start and George Sanderson put the Eagles ahead with a well placed shot in the early minutes but once the boys had regained their balance and confidence, they came back with the equaliser.

Turner were as yet unperturbed and by half time they held a 2-1 lead but by this time the boys were beginning to play the more attractive Soccer and young Belconnen midfielder Stuart Fogg played his usual non-stop role with Alan Smith beginning to find plenty of

space up front.

It was good to see young Steve Link playing a good game at right half and combining with brother Mike on the wing for Turner, as this was his first game for six weeks since he was carried off to hospital at his last O'Connor appearance and his display assured him of continued progress for the remainder of the season.

In the second half, Canberra were quick to take the initiative and gained an equaliser again within a couple of minutes. The majority of teams in local competition are always very slow on the whistle, expecting to slowly build up strength over 10 or 15 minutes but Mark O'Neill showed the under 16's in Melbourne over Easter that goals can be scored from kickoff moves and deadball movements and this enthusiasm can be heeded by some of our older and more complacent sides.

Steve Unwin put in a head for the boys and they took the lead for the first time at 3-2. Naturally the Eagles came back and the score was even again with Brian Eagleton exclaiming "Oh no.

the pressure's on me again" - and so it was.

The A.C.T. boys had found their rhythm now and played the ball very close up the field, each time building up a strong and deliberate attack. No sooner had they made their fourth goal when they hit back again and clinched it with a fifth just before the final whistle.

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Perhaps, most impressive was the clean play which made the job of refereeing so much easier for Tony Timms and strangely the only complaint in the dressing room came from John Soltyzeski. Johnny would be one of the hardest tacklers in Canberra as many forwards would know after facing him in the first division last year but he swears that this time he came off second best.

The juniors were not, in fact, overawed by the superior size of the opposition and this will hold them in good stead for the National titles in Brisbane over the August holidays where Qld and NSW don't believe in midgets.

The second match of the day was between the ACT under 13's

and Belconnen under 16's in which Belconnen came out on top.

Fortunately for the junior reps, all their games were played at O'Connor Oval No 2 which was in superb condition while the main ground gradually disintegrated into a sea of mud after heavy use on Saturday.

Jimmy Hayes' boys put up a fine display and picked up valuable experience while at 3.15 pm Andre Soldan's under 15 lads came on against the very successful Belconnen all-age first division amateur side.

Belconnen were without their star schemer John Davies who at that very time was treading mud on the adjacent pitch in the tight Lyons v Turner tussle, but they have progressed a lot in the last few weeks and combined well against the younger side. As before both teams played clean fair football and Andre was very pleased with his boys even though they lost, for the match experience was what counted most.

These games were not only of great help to the ACT junior rep sides but also gave Turner and Belconnen an opportunity to experiment and develop their formations and moves without the pressures of competition, thus enabling them to attempt a more creative approach to the game.

Actually it did Turner Reserves a lot of good to lose a match as they've become complacent in the last few rounds through lack of opposition and need a booster like this to speed up their attack. At the moment they lead by four clear points on the table and are the side every team will be aiming to beat in the second half of the season.

Dennis Hall has obviously put a lot of work into his side this year, as have the other ACT coaches, and is well aware of the hard uphill fight that previous youth sides have had and this was what initially prompted him to commence training so early this year with January sessions at Hackett Oval. So, he has little time for the usual local cynics who keep predicting his team's downfall in interstate competition and with his determination and the progress and enthusiasm of the boys, he is quite justified with his confidence for the coming titles.

Jimmy Hayes and Andre Soldan have also put in more than has been asked this year with Andre attending coaching courses at the Parklea Academy and they are also working their squads into

a close knit team.

Now that Monaro have finally hit form with a well timed revival against Juventus, Rod West's coaching ability is coming to the fore and he will be aiming for positive results from his squad. With such a talented line-up to choose from, the A.C.T. representatives promise to have their best year yet.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sirs.

I being a recent convert to the great game of Soccer, and after watching several games between many teams, have decided that Turner Eagles, would be the team I will support in the ACT 1st division competition the reason for my deciding on this team are as folloes.

Firstly, I have never seen a team, in any code, fight as hard to win a game of football as these boys, and by the way, they are boys, the average age of these lads, I have been told is 18½ years old, so you can understand the experience that these boys have got is nowhere as much as the older

players from other teams.

Secondly, none of these lads receive any payment for playing. They have to buy their own boots and shorts, although recently they were given a track suit, donated by a very thoughtful sponsor in BARNETTS WINDOWS. The players even have to pay \$3.00 a year which goes towards the operating of the club.

Another reason for my decision to support Turner, is that I have never seen or heard except at Melbourne Aussie Rules games, a group of supporters, so enthusiastic about their team and who lead by a rather long haired gentleman called "Bubbles" give full throatedsupport, with a touch of funny lighthearted sideline banter, that tends to give an air of sportsmanship to a sport that is renowned for its professionalism and fanatical nationalistic clubs. This brings me to another point, I think that the journalists that cover this sport in our local papers, should put a stop to calling clubs by their nationality i.e. Juventus, the Italians and Olympic as the Greeks, one gets fed up reading about the Greeteam knowing that there is only 2 Greeks in the team and the Italian team which has onlt three Italians in the team.

It would do the game in Canberra a lot more good, if these reporters stopped doing this, and if the ACT Soccer Federation, were to stick by its own constitution, and make the clubs, Croatia-Deakin, Juventus and Olympic change their names to local ones, thereby cutting out the nationalistic undertones that their present names imply. I think that if it is good enough for every other club, playing under the auspice of the A.C.T.S.F. to bear a local suburban name, then it should be good enough for the above mentioned clubs to do the same. Maybe the ACTSF and the members of their committees are scared to force these so called big clubs to obey the constitution.

Anyway, getting back to the main reason of this letter., I have been informed by other supporters of the "Eagles" that for many years, Turner has done its best towards promotion and support of Junior soccer in the ACT but has always been stabbed in the back by the big clubs in 1st Divewho have been LAZY and LETHARGIC in promoting junior soccer within their own clubs. They have been content to let Turner bring the kids up through their junior ranks to senior soccer standard, then these bigger clubs have stepped in and offered and bedazzled these youngsters with offers of money, trips and equipment to leave Turner and play for them.

I think that maybe it is about time the ACTSF did something about this to halt this poaching of young players, possibly by introducing a system of zoning, similar to what has been used for many years by the VFL and VFA and also the CANFL for many years with great success. Then maybe, in years to come the competitions would not be so onesided with the LAZY clubs

reaping all the benefits.

By instituting a system as I have suggested I think that the game could and would be a lot more attractive for the vast number of people not only migrants, but also Australians, who with many thanks to CTC7 and the ABC television companies for their continued coverage of overseas soccer, would like to go and watch local soccer, and what better way to go and watch their own suburb play another suburb or area on a Sunday afternoon, especially with the continued good weather we are experiencing.

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Another way to promote the game within the ACT could be a promotion similar to the one that the authorities of Rugby are having at the present time Car stickers, newspapers ads. (I'm Rapt in Rugby) moreso, instead of wasring money on bringing overseas teams to Camberra, to play before less people than these teams get at training games, not that the people in Canberra do not warrant seeing big named clubs and players in action. The money could be put to better use by sponsoring a weekly T.V. show similar to the Rugby Show, where film clips of local and overseas games could be shown, interviews with local and overseas soccer identities, coaching and training methods, interviews with top Canberra refereeswhose advice to players and managers would do more towards cleaning up the game and making it more attractive by knowledge of the laws of the game for not only players but for spectators alike, than any other method used by the ACTSF in the past. Also on this hypothetical programme there could be a junior section, an amateur section, results of the previous week's games and selections for future games.

Also how many people, outside of the persons going to watch soccer at the present time, know about the local soccer magazine ROUND BALL, why not make it available to other people, the the newsagents, in the local shopping areas? In my mind the material used and the standard of this magazine is quite high, and again the benefit reaped from the extra publicity that the magazine

must incur will help the code immeasurably.

I would like to suggest to our local newspapers and the editors of the ROUND BALL magazine, that instead of ludicrous interview with local soccer identities why not a weekly feature on a club, giving the history of that club and also its players and of course a photograph of the team.

Instead of selections of results, by people who in my mind, do not know what they are talking about, why not run a weekly competition asking all supporters of the code to submit their selections, and offer a weekly

prize for the nearest correct entry.

I have let myself get carried away with this letter, more than I had intended to, but I think that this will let you know, and also the people organising the great game of soccer in Canberra, that there are many people in Camberra who would like to go to watch soccer if (a) the facts about the game were more readily available, let us hear more about other clubs in the newspapers than the supposed big three (argh), (b) the clubs must be made to change any nationalistic name if the ACTSF cannot or are scared to do this, then maybe the clubs could combine to make the ACTSF enforce their own constitution. (c) More and better publicity for the game, similar to what I have suggested, and make it more attractive for everybody not just for those who are running the game. (d) true and factual reporting of the games that are published in the newspapers, for example according to the Canberra Times 21/5/73 in the competition ACTSF league standings, it puts Turner in 6th position This is untrue, if the table is worked out on goal averages, Turner who have to date scored 11 goals for, 13 against should be in 4th position following Lyons 9 goals for and 13 against, after Lyons come Forrest with 8 for and 9 against

Even though the three teams are on equal points (5) Turner has drawn 5 and only lost 1 whereas Lyons have won 2, drawn 1 and lost 3. Forrest has also won 2 drawn 1 lost 3, so in my mind Turner who, although on equal points, have only lost 1

and should rate in front of Lyons and Forrest who have lost 3 games.

Also the report in the Canberra Times on the same day did not state that Turne: had 2 goals disallowed, one was a fair decision, the other was a terrible mistake by the linesman, due possibly by his lack of experience and his knowledge of the rules. But do not get me wrong I am not knocking him in tht respect, in my book the lack of referees to officiate games in Canberra is appalling and anyone who who has got the guts and the gumption to get off the seats on the sidelines and do something to alleviate the situation is worth his weight in gold.

In closing, I would just like to add, that if there are any persons in Canberr who like to watch soccer and who have not got a club to follow then I suggest you do as I did and go along and watch Turner Eagles, you will not be

disappointed. Anyhow SOCCER IT TO ME ANYTIME.

(Signed) S.Temple.



First round Federation Cup matches, bringing together the amateur and Federation clubs and a seven a-side carnival will ensure that Canberra soccer fans dont miss out on excitement over the holiday weekend.

First, the Federation Cup which, in the first round will match teams from the ACT Amateur Soccer Association with ACT Soccer Federation second

division clubs.

All matches will be played at O'Connor on Sunday. A number of amateur teams are being taken very seriously by their Federation counterparts and this is not surprising considering the great improvement in playing standard which the amateur league has seen.

The main hopes among the amateur clubs will be College of Advanced Education and Belconnen. The college side has been a force in amateur soccer since the inception of the amateur competition and is almost certain to

test Sti George to the full in their match.

CAE has the speed in the forwards and power in midfield to pose a serious challenge to St.George and, inspired by its tough captain-coach, Jim McDonald is conceded a good chance of winning. This should be a good game with the reward to the winner being a second round clash with Phillip United. Belconnen, leading the amateur first division after winning promotion last season, is making a concerted effort towards federation membership in 1974. Its match against South City

City will provide an opportunity to test its ability.

Until recent weeks, Belconnen would have been given a great chance of winning this one but South City's recent form-it beat second division leader, Woden 2-0 last Sunday remember, indicates an improvement and Belconnen will go into this match with no more than an outside chance. Frank Kocsis, has done a remarkable coaching job with the Queanbeyan side. The amateur club's captain coach, Trevor Irvine will probably have a lot of work to do in defence and he will need all the help that he can get. But this too should be a good match and followers of the amateur game will wish Belconnen the best of luck. The winner of this match will meet Olympic in the second round.

RMC, one of the fittest, fastest, and strongest of the amateur clubs, will play Goulburn Workers, the winner to meet Forrest in the second round. RMC had an excellent run in this competition last season before being knocked out by Phillip United and its hoped for a first round victory will again be high. Even when two or three goals down, the Duntroon team never gives up and this is a factor which has earned RMC the respect of its amateur opponents. If playing skill was the only yardstick to judge the teams by, Goulburn would have a decided edge but RMC will more than compensate for this with its bustling, fast-running style- a style which last season knocked Woden from its perch. This may develop into a surprisingly even match, but the Golden Bears, at full strength for the first time in four weeks would have to be hot favourites;

Weston, which is playing its first season in ACTASA's all age first grade competition, will play Woden, the prize to the victor being a second round encounter with Turner Eagles. Joe Ortega's Woden side is making a big effort for promotion to the first division this season and the club has some highly talented players who are not likely to allow last Sunday's defeat by South

City to upset them.

Woden will go into this match as a virtual certainty but, the way Weston has been playing in recent weeks-especially in its 5-2 thrashing of Hughes last Saturday-suggests Woden will not have things all its own way. Weston plays an impressive short passing game in midfield and has enough speed and shooting power in its attack to cause Woden more than a little concern.



Canberra Youth Club has probably the most unenviable task of the round- a meeting with Queanbeyan City, the winner to play Monaro on the 1st July.

Queanbeyan has some of the best players in the ACT competition, notably Andre Zakoski and Milan Josifoski and in Angeleski, has one of the hardest hitters of a dead ball in the Federation. With Laurie Palec in goal, Queanbeyan are a tough hurdle for any side. Their problem has been a mental one this season and there has been difficulty in getting the players to work at top pitch after the drop from first division. The club seems to be gathering strength for a mighty thrust at the Federation Cup just to show everyone that it is worthy of a place in 1st Division so on this note it could well be bye -bye CYC if these fellows really set their minds to the task. Laurie Palec anxious to regain the ACT rep team berth saved a penalty last week and he will be out to show the CYC forwards that the penalty area is his alone.

CYC, however is not to be dismissed too lightly, with wily veterans such as Sam Lawson and Jimmy Henderson in its ranks and the team's win by 8-1 over Norths last Saturday may provide inspiration.

Canberra Norths, having a disappointing first season in the all-age competition, will meet ANU with the prospect of meeting Croatia-Deakin if they win and the varsity side should keep its reputation intact in this game. It is anticipated that the North's Under 16 side will supplement the firsts and with so much young talent around a very close game might ensue.

Jamison, which as KISA, won the amateur first division last season, will meet amateur second division club, Kris, the winner to play against Juventus. Jamison will be everybody's favourite to go through.

Hughes, which as Federal United was no stranger to cup success, winning last season's Amateur Cup competition, was to meet Dickson. With the witdrawal of this club for the moment anyway, Hughes will now play a friendly match against under 15 ACT side as a further preparation for the junior teams attempt at the Australian Championships later in the season. Hughes will go into the next round against Lyons.

All amateur clubs going into these matches might draw some kind of encouragement from the FA Cup success, this season, of lowly Sunderland which toppled Leeds United, one of the most consistently successful English Football League clubs for the past eight years.

1st Division teams meet in a 7 A-side competition at Deakin Oval. While it is a knockout competition, provision has been made in the draw for losing teams to get a second chance.

Competition commences at 11.45 a.m. and trophies will be awarded to both winners and runner-ups.

Prior to the games starting, each club will have to submit a list of 10 players which will be the only squad from which the teams can be drawn throughout the day. The winning team will have to play at least 4 and perhaps 5 games to win with the games being over by 4.30 p.m.

PUBLIC SERVICE SOCCER

Round 3, played on the 29th and 30th May, provided few surprises to the knowledgeable public service soccer fan. The only real surprise was the extent of National Library's win over Trade and Industry. Both sides maintained their one hundred per cent records, with Richard Drakes pacesetting Library side exceeding themselves by scoring five goals. Trade's record is not quite so enviable as Library's since they have yet to pick up their first points.

Trade started the match with seven players and were 2-0 down before their remaining players turned up. Not that having eleven players made much difference as Library appear to be going from strength to strength and were dominant in every position. Keith Gladwin (2), Boris Kowall, Karl Grumwald, and George Donda scored their goals. Goalkeeper George Donda achieved some distinction by scoring from the penalty spot at one end and then, at the other, saving a penalty from Trade's captain John Lehoczky. For Trade, Paul

Daley tried to stem the flood but Library were in too good form.

Public service Board moved into second place with a lucky 1-0 win against Immigration. Left winger Chris Carder, capitalised on a shocking mistake by the Immigration defence to score his side's only goal. For P.S.B. Nigel Ellis spoilt an otherwise flawless display by joining the thickening ranks of public service penalty 'missers". In fact it just wasn't Nigel's day, after the game he left his boots in the car park, never to be seen again. Perhaps new boots will be the excuse for his next miss! Arthur Giugni and goalkeeper Ralph Rendell also had good games for P.S.B.

Immigration must be the unluckiest side in the competition, having outplayed its opposition on each occasion but still losing 0-1. Until their forwards find their shooting boots, the good work of Brooke Watson at fullback, Johnny Mair in goal, and Peter Mackin on the left wing

will be in vain.

Tariff Board slipped from second to third place as a result of having the bye. Despite having an umblemished record, they decided that a practice was in order in view of certain disturbing features of their earlier games. The chief purpose of this practice appeared to be to allow Barry Patterson to brush-up his penalty taking- the other players from the Board reckon that they cannot afford to have Bazza missing a penalty in every match they play! Strangely enough he didn't miss a single shot in the practice.

The Bureau of Census and Statistics moved into fourth place with a workmanlike 6-0 rout of Transport. Transport arrived late and never quite caught up with what was going on; their ineptness was not reflected in the scoreline, and they seemed to have just one aim, that of maximum bodily contact. Since there was never any danger of their losing, the Stats forwards were content only to convert those chances where there was no danger of serious injury. These "discreet" scorers were Dave Barber (2), Dave Webster(2) Brett Lennon and Harry Kroon; and it is rumoured that Hugh Brophy had a faultless game leaning against the goalposts for Stats.

Navy continued their unbeaten run by downing a much improved NCDC with 10 men, 2-1. In a "rugged" match, Navy's scorers were Bernie Millett who missed considerably more than he scored, and Nino Portaro, who capped a good display with a fierce shot for his goal. Bob Mee made a rare appearance between the sticks for Navy and had a courageous if irritating time. For NCDC, Wally Kostyrko scored a good goal while Ted Kruger and Malcolm Smith compensated for the Commission being a player short.

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The Government Printing Office pushed Minerals and Energy to the bottom of the table by beating them 1-0. Alex Ingram, Phil Traynor and Terry McLoughlan helprd the printers to dominate throughout while John Santos scored the vital goal. For an energetic Minerals side, Steve Yeats never gave up trying while Kevin Alley got through a lot of good work. Charlie Hewitt tried to pull out all the stops but failed, while ACT representative squad member Joe Exposito failed to adjust his style of play to the requirements of lunchtime soccer. Consistent defender Ivan Chertoc had a good game yet again.

Last week's most violent clash was a collission between NCDC and Navy in the car park before Thursday's games. Neither side claimed victory but Navy would appear to have recovered quicker than NCDC as they went

on to beat them 2-1 immediately afterwards.

RESULTS AND TABLE

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In common with all other soccer competition in Camberra, we are experiencing difficulties in obtaining the services of experienced referees. Would anyone who would like to referee lunchtime games (played at Narrabundah and Reid ovals) please contact either Harry Kroon (632141) or Richard Drake (632141)

ACTASA

In a most important game in ACTASA 2nd Division on Saturday, Phillip gave club supporters quite a boost by defeating Salvation Army 3-1 in a game well up to 1st Division standard. Phillip led 2-0 at half time but the Army got one back and a good struggle followed on the wet pitch. Scorers for Phillip were Malcolm Griffiths, Harry Kroon and Dick Bush with Chris Carder picking up the one for Salvation Army. Malcolm Griffiths actually had two more in the net but both were disallowed.

Phillip now hold a two point advantage at the top of the table.

THE VOICE OF WEST WODEN

Soccer is without doubt on the way in Canberra and Clubs like Juventus, Croatia Deakin Olympic and others have become household names for soccer conscious people in the A.C.T. But who takes notice of the many Clubs which are engaged in junior soccer as their main function. As for example the MECT MECTING.

function, as for example the WEST WODEN SOCCER CLUB?

With a few exceptions, like Forrest, Monaro and St. George who allow themselves the luxury to feature one or two junior sides all the other "big names" in Canberra soccer are missing on the list of junior activity. Why? It is hard to say, possibly because little public glory is to gain, a great deal of hard work is necessary and it cost quite a bit of money too with no financial returns.

The WEST WODEN SOCCER CLUB, better known in short as WEST WODEN being an average junior soccer club, directed by fairly average people, with modest success on the sporting fields is perhaps a good example of

junior soccer activity in Camberra.

The Club was founded in 1969 by Frank Millburn and Ray Woodbridge in the suburb of Curtin. Both men who were soccer supporters all their lives were looking for an opportunity for their boys to engage on sporting activities, preferably soccer and since this relatively new area was dominated by rugby at the time and no soccer club was available within reasonable distance, they decided with a handful of other frustrated fathers to put soccer on the map and formed the WODEN UNITED JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB. The Club started with 4 teams in 4 different age groups with Frand Millburn as President. Since the majority of boys were in possession of a green T-shirt, this colour was adopted as the clubs strip, which was the cheapest way because money was a rare article.

The following year 1970 found Stuart Golledge as President. The number of teams incresed to 9, based on the quick development of the Curtin and Lyons areas. For reasons which are not kept on record, the name of the club was changed to WEST WODEN JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB and the still current club colours, green shirts with white sleeves, white shorts and hooted green

and white socks were introduced .

In 1971 John Fairbairn was elected President and the number of teams grew to 12, reaching from 6 years old to 14 years old boys. This was a clear demonstration of the rising popularity of soccer in the Woden Valley and the slow decline of rugby. The WEST WODEN club badge was introduced this year based on a design of a 12 years old junior player Juan Filou. The year 1972 saw Gerry Martins as Presedent and after 3 years of pioneering WEST WODEN was now in the position to call itself an established identity as a junior soccer club in the Woden Valley district, with 14 teams, solid financial foundation, a strong committee and enthusiastic coaches and Manages. On the sporting side were 6 teams taking part in the finals and 3 teams emerging as Champions on the credit list of the Club.

The current season 1973 brought for the first time in the Club's history only minor changes in its steering committee. Gerry Martens is serving a second term as President, assisted by the Vice-President Ray Woodbridge, Mrs Bernie Barnett as Secretary, Stan Jones as Treasurer and David Ball. Frank Brunacci and John Thomas as Committee members. Cole Barbour as Registrar and Charles De Luca as Publicity Officer are completing the list of members responsible for the smooth running of club affairs.

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A record number of 17 teams has taken the field this season and for the first time West Woden has nominated anUnder 16 team as the initial step to transform into a combined junior and senior club. Consequently the name of the club was changed to WEST WODEN SOCCER CLUB, eliminating the "junior" from its title, but it must be understood, that despite following the general trend to turn "Senior", the club sees its foremost responsibility directed towards junior soccer being well aware of the fact, that without a strong junior element within a club, success as a senior club will be futile in the long run.

If there is any truth in the proverb 'Who has the Youth, has the Future', the West Woden Soccer Club must be regarded as a part of the Canberra soccer community which will make an impact beyond its present status in the world of A.C.T. soccer in times not too far away.



FIRST TIME SHOTS

Don't forget the Jamison "do" on Saturday at the Woden Tradesmens Club. Good music, good food, great company, what more could you ask?

Goulburn Workers back to full strength after a bad rum with injuries, look out for the Golden Bears from now on.

South City are coming with a run, Luis Arbalis, doing well and the team starting to click. Signing from Melbourne Takis Xanthopoulos is proving a stout defender.

S.C.Hertha, West Berlin side look like being here 21st JULYfor a game against the A.C.T.

Northern N.S.W. and Queensland State Sides keen to visit the A.C.T. during October.

Chance that the Dickson club might be resuscitated... Imre Soos on the job

Under 16 Reps to try indoor training shortly at the Showground

Queanbeyan City thinking about an off-season tour.....

World Cup game versus Iran August 18 or 19th

National Youth Carnival Brisbane 2nd to 6th September .

LUCKY NUMBER COMPETITION

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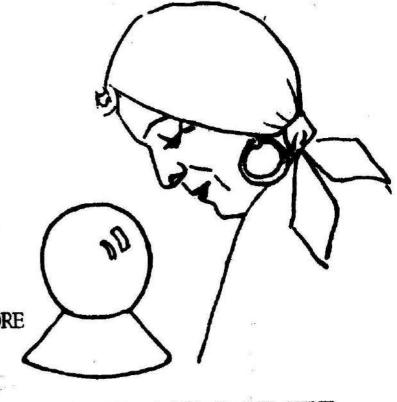
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Monaro Phillip 11.45 am 12.25 pm DASHING DAVID DILLON DIDN'T DEMONSTRATE ANY SUCCESSFUL SELECTIVE SECRETS, SO YET ANOTHER REPUTATION AS A TIPSTER HAS BEEN RUINED

IN FACT HIS ONLY CORRECT SCORE WAS THE FORFEITED MATCH GOULBURN V DICKSON



JOHN STANLEY, QUEANBEYAN CITY SECRETARY, DASHED OUT NEXT WEEKS "RESULTS" WITH HIS RIGHT HAND WHILE USING HIS LEFT HAND TO DEVOUR HIS LUNCH AT WORK SEEMED TO BE A CHIKO ROLL BUT COULDN'T REALLY TELL, IT WAS GOING SO FAST.

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CAE	1	ST GEORGE	2				
NORTHS	2	ANU	4				
RMC	1	GOULBURN WORKER	3				
BELCONNEN	1	SOUTH CITY	2				
WESTERN	2	WODEN	4				